GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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DEPLOYMENT OF BSF
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one third of Border Security Forces 160 battalions had been directed towards internal security in areas like Jammu & Kashmir, North-East and Jharkhand and that the BSF was now only thinly deployed in border areas;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Border Security Force is planning to raise 12 more new battalions to meet the needs of the border areas; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): The overall security scenario and the resultant need for large scale deployment of Central Paramilitary Forces in various States have necessitated diversion of some troops of the Border Security Force (BSF) for internal security duties.

(c) & (d): The Government have decided to augment the Central Paramilitary Forces including Border Security Force (BSF) in a phased manner over a period of five years.